

## Former Officer Pleads Guilty to Child Pornography Charge

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A former East Hartford police officer has pleaded guilty to child pornography charges.

Andrew Nielsen, 49, is accused of purchasing child pornography DVDs between Nov. 2010 and April 2011. He was charged with possession of child pornography and pleaded guilty in federal court Tuesday.

According to the U.S. Attorney's Office, Nielsen bought the DVDs from a foreign company and had them shipped to his house in South Windsor. Federal agents seized the DVDs, which contained pornographic photos and videos of young children, while searching Nielsen's home Nov. 1, 2012.

Nielsen was arrested following the search and resigned from his position with the East Hartford Police Department. He was released on bond and has been on electronic monitoring since the arrest, the U.S. Attorney's Office said.

Nielsen could face up to 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.